GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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LAW AND ORDER SITUATION IN THE COUNTRY
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether law and order situation has been upset in several States of the country;

(b) if so, whether the Union Government have called for reports in this regard from States; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a): Despite some areas of concern, the law and order situation in the country is under control. The major concerns centre around Pak-sponsored terrorism in Jammu & Kashmir, inter-linked and externally supported subversive activities of militant groups in the North-East and the violence perpetrated by the Left Wing Extremist groups.

(b)&(c): `Public Order` and `Police` are State subjects and maintenance of law and order is the primary responsibility of the concerned State Governments. It is for the State Governments to devise various methods and take concrete steps to improve the law and order situation in the States. The Central Government, however, keeps a close watch on various developments in the internal security scenario of the country and sensitise the concerned States in this regard. It also shares intelligence with the States from time to time. Central Para Military Forces are also deployed whenever required by the States.